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In re Application of: J. MAGDALENA : Art Unit:1634  
et al  
Serial No. : 10/086,206 : Examiner:D.B.  
Johannesen  
Filed : February 28, 2002 :  
Dated: July 7, 2006  
Title : Fragments of Nucleic :  
Acids Specific to  
Mycobacteria which :  
are members of the M.  
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RESPONSE

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This is in response to an Office Action dated February  
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Extension of Time for Response, each starting on a separate  
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